unregistered Nursing Homes operating in Delhi, which have been instructed to apply for registration and many of them have complied with the instructions and submitted applications for registration to Delhi Administration.

(c) to (e) The Delhi Administration has informed that Delhi Medical Association has been issuing is own registration certificates to its members. The Directorate of Healh Services, Delhi Administration, has already conveyed to the Delhi Medical Association that the issuance of such registration certificates in contrary to the provision of Delhi Nursing Homes Registration Act, 1953.

(f) In order to check the growth of un-registered nursing homes in Delhi, the Delhi Administration has initiated steps to amend the Delhi Nursing Homes Act, 1953 and rules framed thereunder. The Nursing Homes are also being periodically inspected to see that the basic health care standard are maintained.

Vasectomy Cases

14. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that vasectomy cases are declining gradually;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps are being taken to arrest this trend ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) to (c) Among the total sterilisation acceptors, the proportion of female sterilisation has been steadily going up and that of male sterilisation is coming down since 1986-87.

To allay the various apprehensions and misconceptions pertaining to vasectomy, the Information, Education and Communication efforts for popularisation of the Family Welfare Programme highlight that vasectomy does not produce any harmful effect nor results in any physical weakness or loss of virility and that it is relatively simpler than tubectomy. In order to popu-larise vasectomy, the new method of "No-scalpel Vasectomy' has been recently introduced.

Controlling of Aids in Andhra Pradesh

15. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of Andhra Pradesh has submitted a proposal regarding controlling AIDS in the State;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have accepted the proposal;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) No such proposal has been submitted by Government of Andhra Pradesh.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

Improvement in Hospital Services in Andhra Pradesh

16. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of Andhra Pradesh has submitted a proposal to improve hospitals services at taluk and revenue divisional headquarters with World Bank assistance;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; •-

(c) whether World Bank has accepted the proposal;